

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraphs [0033], [0034], [0039] and [0054] as follows:

[0033] FIG. 2(b) is a front view of the seat 11 (bucket go-cart seat) and weight transfer device 8 of the second embodiment of the present invention. The weight transfer device 8 includes cable activators (pedals) 8A, which are attached under left and right foot ~~pedal (pegs)~~ pegs 8L, 8R mounted on forward ends of chair rail extensions, ~~and for pulling~~ cable 8Cs attached respectively to variable angle adjustment devices 5 for articulating left and right boot blocks 13L, 13R. In FIG. 2(c), the left boot block 13L is shown as being articulated by pressing on left foot pedal (peg) 8L.

[0034] FIG. 2(c) is a top down view of the second embodiment showing chair rails 14L, 14R parallel to each other and skis ~~10L, 10R~~ 10L, 10R toed inwardly.

[0039] FIG. 6(a) and (b) shows front and side views of a fifth embodiment. In this embodiment, left and right tractor steering handles 60L, 60R are provided instead of the hand levers (embodiment 1), the foot pedals (embodiment 2), the yoke steering handle (embodiment 3), or the handle bar (embodiment 4). Tractor steering handles 60L, 60R attached to seat 11 by pins 61 L, 61 R and are connected to pivot member 30 for shifting weight through connecting members 23L, 23R to either of the skis ~~10L, 10R~~ 10L, 10R.

[0054] Numerous variations to the above-described embodiments are to be considered within the scope of this invention. For example, a prone platform may be substituted for a seat. Various types of skis may be used including cross-country skis, mountaineering skis, and downhill skis of many styles. The sled may be adapted with a hand or foot operated braking mechanism to cause a dragging force in the snow. Various attachment mechanisms are possible, such as quick-release fastening devices, screws and other adjustment mechanisms, and hydraulic activators. Gas shock absorbers or springs may be included in the legs and or the connecting members. A heavy-duty version of the ski sled may include an extruded aluminum swing arm, bucket seat, with a fully articulated suspension and harness.